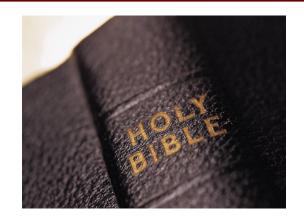
May our lives translate who Christ is

Whatever we do, together or apart, may it always be to speak the truth in love, never to compromise with sin and error, and in all things, whether by word or deed, to behave in such a way that our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will be honored. May we so live and share the truth with each other and with those in our world that in everything we are saying, "Jesus is alive - because he lives in me!"





"And now, O Israel, what does the Lord your God ask of you but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all His ways, to love Him, to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, and to observe the Lord's commands that I am giving you today for your own good?"

Deuteronomy 10:12

God's Word Our Practicum



Christ living in us becomes the superior translation of the Word of God!

Christ living in us also becomes the practicum that makes life itself meaningful!

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Never before in history has the Bible been made clear by so many translations and paraphrases. Of all these versions, there is one that is as superior to the others as the sun is to a candle—when God's Word is translated into a life—a letter written on the heart and expressed by word and deed—to be heard and seen by all. This is the superior translation! It is this translation that becomes our practicum—the practical application of God's Word in our life. This is the translation that will touch those around us for their welfare and for the alory of God.

The profession of truth and knowledge of the Word of God can give the appearance of being a Christian, but the practice of that truth and knowledge is what translates Christianity and God's Word from an abstract idea into living reality. In this way God's Word becomes the defining practicum of life itself!

As you articulate your perspective on Educational Technology to others, it is my heartfelt prayer that you will also reflect the life of Christ-in obedience to God's Word, "As God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another." Simply put, avoid all situations that may irritate or distress one another. "Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity" (Colossians 3:12-14). This love is "aga'pe" love— which is a unique word unknown outside the New Testament and is the characteristic word of Christianity. This kind of love does not depend upon feelings or emotions. It is a decision of the will-a choice-as we make the Word of God the practicum for our lives.

The inspired Paul said of himself, "I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ is living in me. The life that I now live in the body, I live by the faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me" (Gal. 2:20).

We, like the apostle Paul, can become a living translation of the truth and lovingly express and present Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. How will others know that the truth of God's Word is our practicum? If we live with the boldness that is energized by a simple, child-like, and trusting obedience to the Word of Almighty God, then others will know!

May you, as my dad always says, "marinate" yourselves in the Word of God! "Let the Word of Christ dwell in your richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom...and whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the Name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him." (Col 3:16-17). In this way the Lord will become the practicum of life itself; and you will experience the abundant life Jesus died to give us. He said,"...I have come that those who follow me may have life, and have it to the full" (Jn 10:10).

As you move into areas of leadership with technology in your schools, and touch the lives of those in your world, "Let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your father in heaven" (Matt. 5:16).

In Hebrews 4:12, we are reminded that the "Word of God is living and active." May it be so in us! May God's Word be our practicum for His glory and for the eternal blessing of those in our world!